

FRIDAY.
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TELEPHONE CALL FROM AMB STEVENSON

S said he finds on getting back he can't see U Thant until 4:30. Zorin went in briefly - said something about delivering reply from K. S finds rumors of invasion and that has upset everything and the Afro-Asians are alarmed. Apparently, White made some statements about further measures. S thinks it would be a good idea to clamp down any of that talk from Dept or WH. There is one line that comes out from the talk Yost had with U Thant this a. m. - his interest in some guarantee of Cuba - referred to CIA training of exiles and their subversive activities in Asia (Burma). S thinks there is an outside possibility with prompt assurances of no attack by US or exiles that we might short-circuit the whole thing and get the dismantling and withdrawal in exchange for assurances re Cuba.

(1) It indicates the Dept must start thinking about guarantees it would give re territorial sovereignty by OAS or others. Line they are taking is weapons are to deter attack by US and they, if they were sure US would not attack and had adequate commitments, would consider weapons unnecessary. On ships U Thant thinks we should settle for discontinuing all bloc shipping ~~with~~ whether by flag or by charter and ships from other countries not be.... S thinks on that we should stick to the position we need assurances on everything but he may be wrong. S asked Sec to have someone look at it. If we can't short-circuit, there is the question of what constitutes the meaning of non-operable etc. S hopes someone can look at this. Sec said he will try to keep balance on that between the Pentagon view and the actual necessities. S said yes and between this period and the long term.

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